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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action of April 28, 2008, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 1 to 27.

The Examiner has required a 5-way restriction requirement, namely (1)

Claims 1 to 3, 6 to 20 and 24 to 27, (2) Claims 1, 4, 6 to 20 and 24 to 27, (3) Claims

1, 5 to 20 and 24 to 27, (4) Claims 1, 6 to 20 and 24 to 27 and (5) Claims 21 to 23.

Restriction is deemed proper since in the Examiner's opinion there is not a single invention under PCT Rule 13.1. The Examiner has further required an election of a single species.

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Applicants elect the invention of Group 5, namely Claims 21 to 23 and the species of Claim 21.

Since the first Office action was merely a restriction requirement, a prompt examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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